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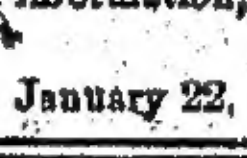
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1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
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 10. From North Point to Kowloon Wharves.
 11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Company.	Tonnage.	Date of Arrival.	Agent.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.							
Anker Head	Brit.	1230	Jan. 19	Dodwell, Carill & Co.			
Boulton	Brit.	1331	Jan. 11	Dodwell, Carill & Co.			
Bonington	Brit.	2083	Feb. 17	Messageries Maritimes	Europe, &c.	Co-morrow	
Calcutta	Brit.	1733	Feb. 17	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Singapore	Co-morrow	
Catharine	Brit.	1240	Feb. 17	Messageries Maritimes			
China	Brit.	874	Feb. 17	M. B. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day	
Chitang	Brit.	1240	Feb. 17	Wing Wo	Bangkok	Co-morrow	
Chitang	Brit.	1057	Jan. 24	Yuen Fat Hong			
Chow	Brit.	1194	Feb. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Chow	Brit.	1221	Feb. 12	Bradley & Co.			
Chow	Brit.	675	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Comopolis	Brit.	1338	Feb. 18	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow, &c.	Co-morrow	
Comopolis	Brit.	1338	Feb. 18	Douglas Steamship Co.			
Empress of India	Brit.	3935	Jan. 28	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	Vancouver, B.C.	Co-morrow	
Federation	Brit.	1379	Jan. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Germania	Brit.	1737	Feb. 16	J. B. & Co.			
Guthrie	Brit.	1496	Feb. 16	J. B. & Co.			
Hanoi	Brit.	738	Feb. 18	W. & M. Co.	Shanghai	Co-morrow	
Ingraham	Brit.	836	Feb. 18	W. & M. Co.	Shanghai	Co-morrow	
Kingkong	Brit.	1430	Feb. 18	Yuen Fat Hong			
Kong Beng	Brit.	1040	Feb. 18	Yuen Fat Hong			
Loch	Brit.	936	Feb. 18	Yuen Fat Hong			
Loch	Brit.	1410	Feb. 18	Yuen Fat Hong			
Michael	Brit.	710	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Namas	Brit.	863	Jan. 23	Douglas Steamship Co.	Hoihow	Co-morrow	
Ningchow	Brit.	1735	Jan. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Swatow, &c.	Co-morrow	
Onang	Brit.	1737	Jan. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Onang	Brit.	777	Feb. 16	J. B. & Co.			
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Shelly	Brit.	958	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Sihan	Brit.	875	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Strathleven	Brit.	1588	Jan. 20	Dodwell, Carill & Co.			
Sungkong	Brit.	994	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Swatow	Brit.	930	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Taiwan	Brit.	930	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Taiwan	Brit.	1478	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Taiwan	Brit.	1814	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Victoria	Brit.	1181	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Wing Hong	Brit.	217	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
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Zafiro	Brit.	677	Feb. 18	J. B. & Co.			
Sailing Vessels.							
Alator	Brit.	8	Jan. 29	Siemens & Co.			
Brodick Castle	Brit.	1845	Jan. 12	Master			
Cerast	Brit.	871	Jan. 30	Siemens & Co.			
Coloma	Brit.	852	Jan. 30	Siemens & Co.			
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Ivy	Brit.	852	Jan. 30	Siemens & Co.			
Tam O'Shanter	Brit.	852	Jan. 30	Siemens & Co.			
Wandering Jew	Brit.	852	Jan. 30	Siemens & Co.			

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Flag.	Tonnage.	Class.	Captain.	Where at.
Ships.					
Admiral	Brit.	9500	21	7000	Singapore
Admiral	Brit.	1700	12	3180	Hongkong
Admiral	Brit.	1770	10	2200	Shanghai
Admiral	Brit.	10,500	41	13,000	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	1140	6	1400	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	7350	9	10,900	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	343	8	940	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	18	8	80	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	5000	34	850	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	758	8	1050	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	6100	34	8500	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	750	1	1200	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	750	10	1200	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	8500	21	7000	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	1770	10	2200	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	8500	21	7000	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	710	10	1200	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	805	10	1200	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	8500	21	7000	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	758	8	1050	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	204	5	340	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	3000	34	8500	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	5137	14	8000	Nagasaki
Admiral	Brit.	2750	13	1450	Nagasaki

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

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Admiral.					
Admiral Korneloff	Russian	4950	32	6000	Kobe
Admiral Nakhimov	Russian	7781	33	9000	Nagasaki
Albatross	Russian	850	5	750	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	850	5	750	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	4330	30	8000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	2370	18	2400	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	475	4	450	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	2010	14	1000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1350	14	1000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	462	5	400	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	960	13	1150	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	3290	22	4400	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	4040	22	4600	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	465	4	450	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1700	16	1600	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	2000	16	1600	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1200	4	1000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1130	14	1000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	3535	19	4500	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	2360	23	2750	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1490	12	1550	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	490	4	540	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	8800	32	8000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	4400	22	8000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	4380	22	8000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	7877	16	8000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1200	9	2150	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1640	9	2800	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1300	13	1300	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	570	6	500	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	400	4	500	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1050	16	1600	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1057	9	1000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1200	9	1400	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1370	9	850	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1600	14	1300	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1490	12	1500	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	5050	33	6000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	881	6	550	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	545	8	450	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	4400	22	8000	Shanghai
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Albatross	Russian	10,920	30	12,250	Shanghai
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Albatross	Russian	4800	21	2400	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	480	4	425	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	5500	34	7000	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1700	16	1600	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian	1490	12	1470	Shanghai

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The sender must fill up a form of Customs Declaration, which can be obtained free at each Post Office. No parcel can be accepted till this is completely and accurately filled. The only article ordinarily sent from China which are liable to duty are Tea and Tobacco.

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